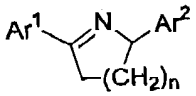
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula (I)

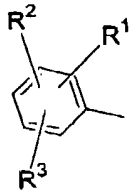


(I),

in which

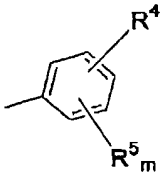
n represents 2 or 3

Ar^1 represents the radical



and

Ar^2 represents the radical



in which

m represents ~~0,~~ 1, ~~2, 3 or 4,~~

R^1 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, ~~$-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$,~~

R^2 and R^3 independently of one another each represent hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, ~~$-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$,~~

R^4 represents ~~halogen, cyano, trialkylsilyl, $-CO-NR^{10}R^{11}$, tetrahydropyranyl or one of the groupings below~~ the grouping

(I) -X-A

~~(m) -B-Z-D~~

~~(n) -Y-E,~~

R^5 represents hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, ~~halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy or $-S(O)_oR^6$,~~

~~o represents 0, 1 or 2,~~

~~R^6 represents alkyl or halogenoalkyl,~~

~~R^7 and R^8 independently of one another each represent hydrogen or alkyl, or together represent alkylene,~~

~~R^{10} and R^{11} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, halogenoalkyl or represent phenyl or phenylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,~~

X represents a direct bond, ~~oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkinylene, alkyleneoxy, oxyalkylene, thioalkylene, alkylenedioxy or di-alkylsilylene,~~

A represents phenyl, ~~naphthyl or tetrahydronaphthyl, each of~~ which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^1, ~~or~~

represents 5- to 10-membered heterocyclyl having one or more hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur and containing 1 or 2 aromatic rings, which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,

B represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,

Z represents oxygen or sulphur,

D represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, styryl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostyryl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl, represents respectively optionally halogen- or alkyl-substituted cycloalkenyl or cycloalkenylalkyl, represents respectively optionally nitro-, halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenylalkyl, naphthylalkyl, tetrahydronaphthylalkyl or 5- or 6-membered hetarylalkyl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, represents $-CO-R^{12}$, $-CO-NR^{13}R^{14}$, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G, \text{ or}$$

Z and D together represent optionally nitro-, halogen-, alkyl, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenoxyalkyl,

Y represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkinylene, alkyleneoxy, oxyalkylene, thioalkylene, alkylenedioxy or represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,

E represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, styryl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostyryl-substituted cycloalkyl, represents respectively optionally halogen- or alkyl-substituted cycloalkenyl, represents phenyl which is optionally

mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^1 or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^2, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G,$$

R^{13} represents alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkenyl-substituted cycloalkyl, cycloalkyloxy or cycloalkylalkyloxy or represents respectively optionally nitro-, halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenyl or naphthyl,

R^{14} represents hydrogen or alkyl,

R^{14} represents alkyl, halogenoalkyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkenyl-substituted cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl or represents respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenyl or phenylalkyl,

p, q and r independently of one another each represent 0, 1, 2 or 3, their sum being smaller than 6,

R^{15} and R^{16} independently of one another each represent hydrogen or alkyl,

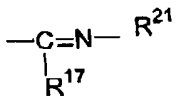
G represents cyano, represents a 5- or 6-membered heterocycle having 1 to 3 identical or different hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, alkyl or halogenoalkyl and, at the attachment point, optionally by the radical R^{17}, or represents one of the groupings below

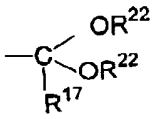
(a) $-CO-R^{17}$

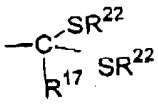
(b) $-CO-OR^{18}$

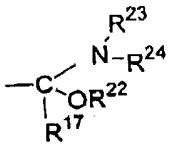
~~(c) —CO—NR^{19}R^{20}~~

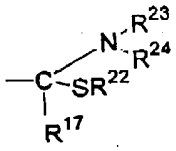
~~(d) —CS—NR^{19}R^{20}~~

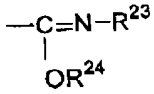
(e) 

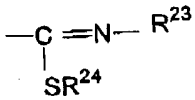
(f) 

(g) 

(h) 

(i) 

(j) 

(k) 

~~R^{17} represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by alkylcarbonylamino, alkylcarbonylalkylamino and/or radicals from the list W^{6}.~~

~~R^{19} represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl or represents arylalkyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3,~~

~~R^{19} and R^{20} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl, represent aryl or arylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3, represent OR^{19} or $NR^{17}R^{18}$ or together represent an alkylene chain having 2 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen,~~

~~R^{21} represents OR^{19}, $NR^{17}R^{18}$ or $N(R^{17})$-$COOR^{19}$,~~

~~R^{22}, R^{23} and R^{24} independently of one another each represent alkyl,~~

W^1 represents ~~hydrogen, halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, alkyl, trialkylsilyl,~~ alkoxy, ~~halogenoalkyl,~~ halogenoalkoxy, halogenoalkenyloxy, ~~alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio or $S(O)_nR^6$,~~

~~W^2 represents halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, alkyl, trialkylsilyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio or $S(O)_nR^6$ or $C(R^{17})=N-R^{24}$,~~

~~W^3 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, dialkylamino $S(O)_nR^6$, $COOR^{25}$ or $CONR^{26}R^{27}$,~~

~~R^{25} represents hydrogen, alkyl, halogenoalkyl, optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

~~R^{26} and R^{27} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or~~

~~cycloalkylalkyl or represent aryl or arylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represent $-OR^{22}$ or $-NR^{23}R^{24}$ or together represent an alkylene chain having 2 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen, and~~

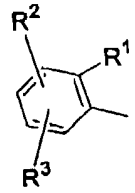
~~W^4 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, dialkylamino, alkoxycarbonyl, dialkylaminocarbonyl or $-S(O)_oR^6$,~~

2. (Currently Amended) The compound of Claim 1

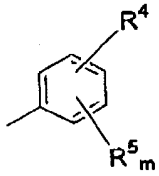
in which

n represents 2 ~~or 3~~,

Ar^1 represents the radical



Ar^2 represents the radical



m represents ~~0,~~ 1, ~~2 or 3,~~

R^1 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl or C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy, represents C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_1-C_6-alkyl, ~~$-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$~~,

R^2 and R^3 independently of one another each represent hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl or C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy, represent C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_1-C_6-alkyl, ~~$-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$~~,

R^4 represents ~~a substituent in meta- or paraposition from the group consisting of halogen, cyano, tri-(C_1-C_6-alkyl)-silyl, $-CO-NR^{10}R^{11}$, tetrahydropyranyl or one of the groupings below~~ the grouping

(I) -X-A

~~(m) -B-Z-D~~

~~(n) -Y-E,~~

R^5 represents hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_1-C_{16}-alkoxy, ~~C_1-C_8-halogenoalkyl, C_1-C_8-halogenoalkoxy, C_1-C_8-alkoxy-C_1-C_8-alkoxy or $-S(O)_oR^6$~~,

~~o represents 0, 1 or 2,~~

~~R^6 represents optionally fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl,~~

~~R^7 and R^8 independently of one another each represent hydrogen or C_1-C_6-alkyl, [such as, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl] or together represent C_2-C_5-alkylene, [such as, for example, $-(CH_2)_2-$ or $-(CH_2)_{2-5}-$]~~

~~R^{10} and R^{11} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl or represent phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,~~

X represents a direct bond, ~~oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylene, C_2-C_4-alkenylene, C_2-C_4-alkinylene, C_1-C_4-alkyleneoxy, C_1-C_4-oxyalkylene, C_1-C_4-thioalkylene, C_1-C_4-alkylenedioxy or di-C_1-C_4-alkylsilylene,~~

A represents phenyl, ~~naphthyl or tetrahydronaphthyl, each of~~ which is ~~optionally~~ mono-substituted ~~to tetrasubstituted~~ by radicals from the list W^1, ~~or represents 5- to 10-membered heterocyclyl having 1 to 4 hetero atoms, including 0 to 4 nitrogen atoms, 0 to 2 oxygen atoms and 0 to 2 sulphur atoms, and containing 1 or 2 aromatic rings, which is in each case optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,~~

~~B represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^3,~~

~~Z represents oxygen or sulphur,~~

~~D represents hydrogen, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_2-C_{16}-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-alkinyl, C_1-C_{16}-halogenoalkyl, C_2-C_{16}-halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl-, C_2-C_4-alkenyl-, C_2-C_4-halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, stynyl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostynyl-substituted C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl, represents respectively optionally halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_5-C_8-cycloalkenyl or C_5-C_8-cycloalkenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, represents respectively optionally nitro-, halogen-, C_1-C_6-alkyl-, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl- or C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl, naphthyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl, tetrahydronaphthyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl or 5- or 6-membered hetaryl-C_1-C_6-alkyl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, represents -CO-R^{12}, -CO-$NR^{13}R^{14}$, or represents the grouping~~

~~$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G$, or~~

~~Z and D together represent optionally nitro-, halogen-, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl- or C_1-C_6-halogenalkoxy-substituted phenoxy-C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~

~~Y represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylene, C_2-C_4-alkenylene, C_2-C_4-alkinylene, C_1-C_4-alkyleneoxy, C_1-C_4-oxyalkylene, C_1-C_4-thioalkylene, C_1-C_4-~~

alkylenedioxy or represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,

E represents hydrogen, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_2-C_{16}-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-alkinyl, C_1-C_{16}-halogenoalkyl, C_2-C_{16}-halogenoalkenyl, optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl-, C_2-C_4-alkenyl-, C_2-C_4-halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, styryl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostyryl-substituted C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl, represents optionally halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_5-C_8-cycloalkenyl, represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4 or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^2, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G,$$

R^{12} represents C_1-C_{12}-alkyl, C_1-C_{12}-alkoxy, C_2-C_{12}-alkenyl, C_2-C_{12}-alkenyloxy, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl-, C_2-C_4-alkenyl-, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl- or C_2-C_4-halogenoalkenyl-substituted C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_8-cycloalkyloxy or C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_6-alkyloxy or represents phenyl or naphthyl, each of which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by nitro, halogen, C_1-C_{12}-alkyl, C_1-C_{12}-alkoxy, C_1-C_{12}-halogenoalkyl or C_1-C_{12}-halogenoalkoxy,

R^{13} represents hydrogen or C_1-C_{12}-alkyl,

R^{14} represents C_1-C_{12}-alkyl, C_1-C_{12}-halogenoalkyl, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl-, C_2-C_4-alkenyl-, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl- or C_2-C_4-halogenoalkenyl-substituted C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl, or represents phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl which is in each case optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_{12}-alkyl, C_1-C_{12}-alkoxy, C_1-C_{12}-halogenoalkyl or C_1-C_{12}-halogenoalkoxy,

~~p, q and r independently of one another each represent 0, 1, 2 or 3, their sum being smaller than 6,~~

~~R^{15} and R^{16} independently of one another each represent hydrogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~

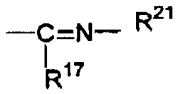
~~G represents cyano, represents a 5- or 6-membered heterocycle having 1 to 3 identical or different hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl and, at the attachment point, optionally by the radical R^{17}, or represents one of the groupings below:~~

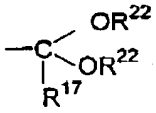
~~(a) $-CO-R^{17}$~~

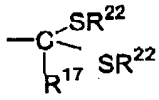
~~(b) $-CO-OR^{18}$~~

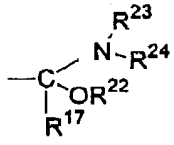
~~(c) $-CO-NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

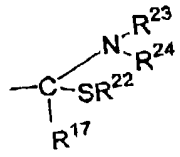
~~(d) $-CS-NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

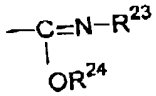
(e) 

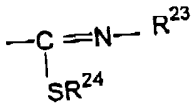
(f) 

(g) 

(h) 

(i) 

(j) 

(k) 

~~R^{17} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, C_2-C_6-halogenoalkenyl, optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl- or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonylamino, C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylamino and/or radicals from the list W^3,~~

~~R^{18} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, C_2-C_6-halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl- or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl or represents C_6-C_{10}-aryl-C_1-C_4-alkyl which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3,~~

~~R^{19} and R^{20} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, C_3-C_6-halogenoalkenyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl- or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, represent phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3, represent $-OR^{18}$ or $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or together represent an alkylene chain having 4 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen,~~

~~R^{21} represents $-OR^{18}$, $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or $-N(R^{17})-COOR^{18}$,~~

~~R^{22}, R^{23} and R^{24} independently of one another each represent C_1-C_6-alkyl,~~

W^1 represents ~~hydrogen, halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, tri-C_1-C_4-alkylsilyl,~~ C_1-C_{16}-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy, C_2-C_6-halogenoalkenyloxy, ~~C_1-C_6-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_{16}-alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio or $-S(O)_oR^6$,~~

~~W^2 represents halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, tri-C_1-C_4-alkylsilyl, C_1-C_{16}-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_{16}-alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio, $-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-C(R^{17})=N-R^{21}$,~~

~~W^3 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkoxy, di-C_1-C_4-alkylamino, $-S(O)_oR^6$, $-COOR^{25}$ or $-CONR^{26}R^{27}$,~~

~~R^{25} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl- or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl-substituted C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

~~R^{26} and R^{27} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl, C_3-C_6-halogenoalkenyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl- or C_1-C_4-halogenoalkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl or represent phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represent $-OR^{22}$ or $-NR^{23}R^{24}$, or together represent an alkylene chain having 4 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen, and~~

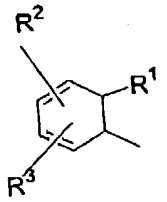
~~W^4 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkyl, C_1-C_6-halogenoalkoxy, di-C_1-C_4-alkylamino, C_1-C_6-alkoxycarbonyl, di-C_1-C_6-alkylaminocarbonyl or $-S(O)_oR^6$,~~

3. (Currently Amended) The compound of Claim 1

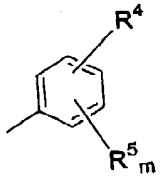
in which

n represents 2,

Ar^1 represents the radical



Ar^2 represents the radical



m represents ~~0,~~ 1 ~~or 2~~,

R^1 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl or C_1-C_6-alkoxy, represents C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_1-C_6-alkyl ~~or $S(O)_sR^6$~~,

R^2 and R^3 independently of one another each represent hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, ~~iodine,~~ cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl or C_1-C_6-alkoxy, represent C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_1-C_6-alkyl ~~or $S(O)_sR^6$~~,

R^4 represents ~~a substituent in meta- or paraposition from the group consisting of fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, cyano, tri-(C_1-C_4-alkyl)-silyl, $CO\text{-}NR^{10}R^{11}$, tetrahydropyranyl or one of the groupings below~~the grouping

(I) -X-A

~~(m) -B-Z-D~~

~~(n) -Y-E,~~

R^5 represents hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_1-C_{16}-alkoxy, ~~respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl or C_1-C_8-alkoxy, represents C_1-C_8-alkoxy-C_1-C_8-alkoxy, or $-S(O)_oR^6$,~~

~~o represents 0, 1 or 2,~~

~~R^6 represents C_1-C_4-alkyl or respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted methyl or ethyl,~~

~~R^{10} and R^{11} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl or represent phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

X represents a direct bond, ~~oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylene, C_2-C_4-alkenylene, C_2-C_4-alkinylene, C_1-C_4-alkyleneoxy, C_1-C_4-oxyalkylene, C_1-C_4-thioalkylene, C_1-C_4-alkylenedioxy or di-C_1-C_4-alkylsilylene,~~

A represents phenyl, ~~naphthyl or tetrahydronaphthyl, each of~~ which is optionally mono-substituted ~~to trisubstituted~~ by radicals from the list W^1, ~~or represents 5- to 10-membered heterocyclyl having 1 to 4 hetero atoms, which includes 0 to 4 nitrogen atoms, 0 to 2 oxygen atoms and 0 to 2 sulphur atoms, and containing 1 or 2 aromatic rings, which is in each case optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,~~

~~B represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

~~Z represents oxygen or sulphur,~~

D represents hydrogen, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_2-C_{16}-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-alkinyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_2-C_4-alkenyl, represents C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_2-C_4-alkenyl, fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_2-C_4-alkenyl, phenyl, styryl, respectively fluorine-, chlorine- or bromine-substituted phenyl or styryl, represents respectively optionally fluorine-, chlorine-, bromine- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_5-C_8-cycloalkenyl or C_5-C_8-cycloalkenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, represents phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, naphthyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, tetrahydronaphthyl-C_1-C_6-alkyl or 5- or 6-membered hetaryl-C_1-C_4-alkyl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, each of these radicals being optionally substituted by nitro, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy, represents -CO-R^{12}, -CO-$NR^{13}R^{14}$, or the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G, \text{ or}$$

Z and D together represent phenoxy-C_1-C_3-alkyl which is optionally substituted by nitro, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, or respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy,

Y represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylene, C_2-C_4-alkenylene, C_2-C_4-alkinylene, C_1-C_4-alkyleneoxy, C_1-C_4-oxyalkylene, C_1-C_4-thioalkylene, C_1-C_4-alkylenedioxy or represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,

E represents hydrogen, C_1-C_{16}-alkyl, C_2-C_{16}-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-alkinyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_2-C_4-alkenyl, represents C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_2-C_4-alkenyl, fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_2-C_4-alkenyl, phenyl, styryl or respectively fluorine-, chlorine- or bromine-substituted phenyl or styryl, represents optionally fluorine-, chlorine-, bromine- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_5-C_8-

~~cycloalkenyl, represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^4 or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^5, or represents the grouping~~

~~$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G$,~~

~~R^{12} represents C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyloxy, represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyloxy or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_2-alkyloxy, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_3-alkyl, or respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_2-alkyl or C_2-C_3-alkenyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted, C_1-C_2-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy,~~

~~R^{13} represents hydrogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~

~~R^{14} represents C_1-C_4-alkyl, or represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy,~~

~~p, q and r independently of one another each represent 0, 1, 2 or 3, their sum being smaller than 6,~~

~~R^{15} and R^{16} independently of one another each represent hydrogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~

~~G represents cyano, represents a 5- or 6-membered heterocycle having 1 to 3 identical or different hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or~~

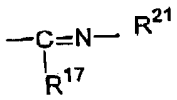
~~chorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl and, at the attachment point, optionally by the radical R^{17}, or represents one of the groupings below:~~

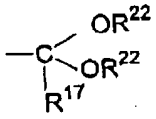
~~(a) —CO—R^{17}~~

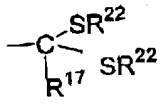
~~(b) —CO—OR^{18}~~

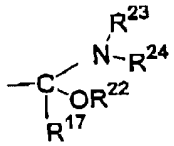
~~(c) —CO—$NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

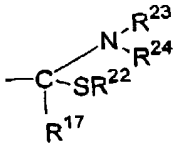
~~(d) —CS—$NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

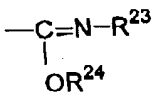
(e) 

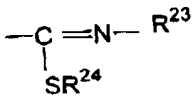
(f) 

(g) 

(h) 

(i) 

(j) 

(k) 

~~R^{17} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_2-C_6-alkenyl, represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonylamino, C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkylamino and/or radicals from the list W^β,~~

~~R^{18} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_2-C_6-alkenyl, represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, or represents phenyl, C_1-C_4-alkyl or naphthyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^β,~~

~~R^{19} and R^{20} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_3-C_6-alkenyl, represent C_1-C_4-alkoxy, represent C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, represent phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^β, represent $-OR^{18}$ or $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or together represent $-(CH_2)_5$-, $-(CH_2)_6$- or $-(CH_2)_2$-O-$(CH_2)_2$-,~~

~~R^{21} represents $-OR^{18}$, $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or $-N(R^{17})$-$COOR^{18}$,~~

~~R^{22}, R^{23} and R^{24} independently of one another each represent C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~

W^1 represents ~~hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, cyano, formyl, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl,~~ C_1-C_4-alkoxy, ~~respectively~~ fluorine- or chlorine-substituted ~~C_1-C_4-alkyl or~~ C_1-C_4-alkoxy, ~~represents C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxycarbonyl or $-S(O)_c R^6$,~~

~~W^3 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, formyl, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy, represents C_1-C_4-alkylcarbonyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxycarbonyl or $-S(O)_nR^6$ or $-C(R^{17})=N-R^{21}$,~~

~~W^4 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy, represents di-C_1-C_4-alkylamino, $-S(O)_nR^6$, $-COOR^{25}$ or $-CONR^{26}R^{27}$,~~

~~R^{25} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

~~R^{26} and R^{27} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_3-C_6-alkenyl, represent C_1-C_4-alkoxy, represent C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_4-alkyl or fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, or represent phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represent $-OR^{23}$ or $-NR^{23}R^{24}$ or together represent $-(CH_2)_5-$, $-(CH_2)_6-$ or $-(CH_2)_2-O-(CH_2)_2-$, and~~

~~W^4 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, respectively fluorine- or chlorine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy, di-C_1-C_4-alkylamino, C_1-C_4-alkoxycarbonyl, di-C_1-C_6-alkylaminocarbonyl or $-S(O)_nR^6$.~~

4. (Currently Amended) The compound of Claim 1

in which

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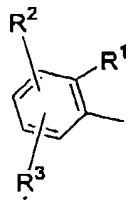

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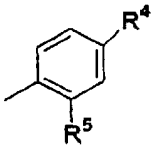


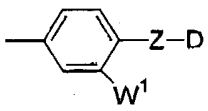
R^1 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, isobutoxy, sec-butoxy, tert-butoxy,

R^2 and R^3 independently of one another each represent hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, isobutoxy, sec-butoxy, tert-butoxy,

R^4 represents ~~a substituent in meta- or paraposition from the group consisting of fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, cyano, $-CO-NR^{10}R^{11}$, tetrahydropyranyl or one of the groupings below~~the grouping

(I) $-X-A$

(m-a)



~~(n) $Y-E$,~~

R^5 represents hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, methoxy, ethoxy, ~~methylthio, ethylthio, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethoxy, trifluoromethoxy or trifluoromethylthio,~~

~~o represents 0 or 2,~~

~~R^5 represents methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, difluoromethyl or trifluoromethyl,~~

~~R^{10} and R^{11} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl or represent phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally monosubstituted by a radical from the list W^4,~~

X represents a direct bond, ~~oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, CH_2, $(CH_2)_2$, CH=CH (E or Z), CC, CH_2O, $(CH_2)_2O$, $CH(CH_3)O$, OCH_2, $O(CH_2)_2$, SCH_2, $S(CH_2)_2$, $SCH(CH_3)$, C_1-C_4-alkylenedioxy, [in particular OCH_2O, $O(CH_2)_2O$ or $OCH(CH_3)O$,]~~

A represents phenyl which is ~~optionally~~ mono-substituted ~~or disubstituted~~ by radicals from the list W^1 ~~or represents furyl, benzofuryl, thienyl, benzothienyl, oxazolyl, benzoxazolyl, thiazolyl, benzthiazolyl, pyrrolyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, 1,3,5-triazinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, indolyl, purinyl, benzodioxolyl, indanyl, benzodioxanyl or chromanyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,~~

~~Z represents oxygen or sulphur,~~

~~D represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, the isomeric pentyls, the isomeric hexyls, n-heptyl, n-octyl, n-isooctyl, n-nonyl, n-decyl, n-undecyl, n-dodecyl, n-tridecyl, n-tetradecyl, n-pentadecyl, n-hexadecyl, 2-propenyl, butenyl, pentenyl, hexenyl, propargyl, butinyl, pentinyl, CF_3, CHF_2, $CClF_2$, CF_2CHFCl, CF_2CH_2F, CF_2CHF_2, CF_2CCl_3, CH_2CF_3, CF_2CHFCF_3, $CH_2CF_2CHF_2$, $CH_2CF_2CF_3$, represents cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclobutylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl or cyclohexylmethyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl,~~

1-propenyl, 2,2-dimethylethenyl, $CH=CCl_2$, phenyl, styryl, respectively fluorine-, chlorine- or bromine-substituted phenyl or 4-chlorostyryl, represents respectively optionally fluorine-, chlorine-, methyl-, ethyl-, n-propyl-, isopropyl-, n-butyl-, isobutyl-, sec-butyl- or tert-butyl-substituted cyclopentenyl, cyclohexenyl, cyclohexenylmethyl or cyclopentenylmethyl, represents benzyl, phenethyl, naphthylmethyl, tetrahydronaphthylmethyl, furylmethyl, thienylmethyl, pyrrolylmethyl, oxazolylmethyl, isoxazolylmethyl, thiazolylmethyl or pyridylmethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by nitro, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, isobutoxy, sec-butoxy, tert-butoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy or chlorodifluoromethoxy, represents $CO-R^{12}$, $CO-NR^{13}R^{14}$ or the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G, \text{ or}$$

Z and D together represent phenoxymethyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by nitro, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy or chlorodifluoromethoxy.

Y represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, CH_2, $(CH_2)_2$, $CH=CH$ (E or Z), $C\equiv C$, CH_2O, $(CH_2)_2O$, $CH(CH_3)O$, OCH_2, $O(CH_2)_2$, SCH_2, $S(CH_2)_2$, $SCH(CH_3)$, C_1-C_4-alkylenedioxy, [in particular OCH_2O or $O(CH_2)_2O$] or represents p-phenylene which is optionally monosubstituted by a radical from the list W,

E represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, the isomeric pentyls, the isomeric hexyls, n-heptyl, n-octyl, n-isooctyl, n-nonyl, n-decyl, n-undecyl, n-dodecyl, n-tridecyl, n-tetradecyl, n-pentadecyl, n-hexadecyl, 2-propenyl, butenyl, pentenyl, hexenyl, propargyl, butinyl, pentinyl, CF_3, CHF_2, $CClF_2$, CF_2CHFCl, CF_2CH_2F, CF_2CHF_2, CF_2CCl_3, CH_2CF_3, CF_2CHFCF_3, $CH_2CF_2CHF_2$, $CH_2CF_2CF_3$, represents cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl,

cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, 1-propenyl, 2,2-dimethylethenyl, $CH=CCl_2$, phenyl, styryl, respectively fluorine-, chlorine- or bromine-substituted phenyl or by 4-chlorostyryl, represents respectively optionally fluorine-, chlorine-, methyl-, ethyl-, n-propyl-, isopropyl-, n-butyl-, isobutyl-, sec-butyl- or tert-butyl-substituted cyclopentenyl or cyclohexenyl, represents phenyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represents furyl, thienyl, pyrrolyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiazolyl or pyridyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^5, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G,$$

R^{13} represents methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, isobutoxy, sec-butoxy, tert-butoxy, cyclopropyl, cyclohexyl, cyclohexyloxy, cyclohexylmethyloxy, phenyl, 2-chlorophenyl, 3-chlorophenyl, 2,6-difluorophenyl, 2,4-dichlorophenyl, 3,4-dichlorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethoxyphenyl or 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl,

R^{13} represents hydrogen,

R^{14} represents methyl, ethyl or represents phenyl which is optionally monosubstituted by chlorine,

p, q and r independently of one another each represent 0, 1, 2 or 3, their sum being smaller than 4,

R^{15} and R^{16} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl,

G represents cyano, represents 5,6-dihydrodioxazin-2-yl, 3-pyridyl, 3-furyl, 3-thienyl, 2-thiazolyl, 5-thiazolyl, 2-dioxolanyl, 1,3-dioxan-2-yl, 2-dithiolanyl, 1,3-dithian-2-yl or 1,3-thioxan-2-yl, each of which is

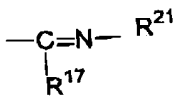
~~optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl or trifluoromethyl and, at the attachment point, optionally by the radical R^{17}, or represents one of the groupings below:~~

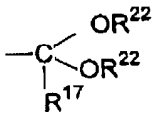
~~(a) $-CO-R^{17}$~~

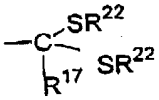
~~(b) $-CO-OR^{18}$~~

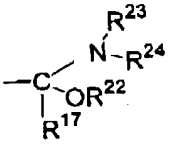
~~(c) $-CO-NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

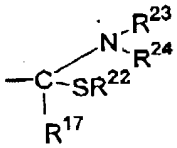
~~(d) $-CS-NR^{19}R^{20}$~~

(e) 

(f) 

(g) 

(h) 

(i) 

R^{17} represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, the isomeric pentyls, the isomeric hexyls, CF_3, CHF_2, $CClF_2$, CF_2CHFCl, CF_2CH_2F, CF_2CHF_2, CF_2CCl_3, CH_2CF_3, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl which is mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, represents cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, CF_3, CHF_2, $CClF_2$, CF_2CHFCl, CF_2CH_2F, CF_2CHF_2, CF_2CCl_3 or CH_2CF_3, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by methylcarbonylamino, ethylcarbonylamino, methylcarbonylmethylamino and/or radicals from the list W^3,

R^{18} represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, CH_2CF_3, allyl, represents cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl, cyclohexylmethyl, cyclopropylethyl, cyclopentylethyl or cyclohexylethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, CF_3, CHF_2, $CClF_2$, CF_2CHFCl, CF_2CH_2F, CF_2CHF_2, CF_2CCl_3 or CH_2CF_3, or represents benzyl or phenethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^3,

R^{19} and R^{20} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, CH_2CF_3, methoxy, ethoxy, allyl, represent cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl or cyclohexylmethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl or trifluoromethyl, represent phenyl, benzyl or phenethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^3, represent OR^{18} or $NR^{17}R^{18}$,

R^{21} represents OR^{18}, $NR^{17}R^{18}$ or $N(R^{17})COOR^{18}$,

R^{22}, R^{23} and R^{24} independently of one another each represent methyl, ethyl, n-propyl or isopropyl,

W^1 represents ~~hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, formyl, nitro, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl,~~ methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, isobutoxy, sec-butoxy, tert-butoxy, ~~$-CF_3$, $-CHF_2$, $-CClF_2$, $-CF_2CHFCl$, $-CF_2CH_2F$, $-CF_2CHF_2$, $-CF_2CCl_3$, $-CH_2CF_3$, $-CF_2CHFCF_3$, $-CH_2CF_2CHF_2$, $-CH_2CF_2CF_3$,~~ trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, chlorodifluoromethoxy, ~~acetyl, propionyl, butyryl, isobutyryl, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, n-propoxycarbonyl, isopropoxycarbonyl, n-butoxycarbonyl, isobutoxycarbonyl, sec-butoxycarbonyl, tert-butoxycarbonyl or $S(O)_cR^6$,~~

~~W^2 represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, chlorodifluoromethoxy, acetyl or trifluoromethylthio, $-CH=N-OCH_3$, $-CH=N-OC_2H_5$, $-CH=N-OC_3H_7$, $-C(CH_3)=N-OCH_3$, $-C(CH_3)=N-OC_2H_5$, $-C(CH_3)=N-OC_3H_7$, $-C(C_2H_5)=N-OCH_3$, $-C(C_2H_5)=N-OC_2H_5$ or $-(C_2H_5)=N-OC_3H_7$,~~

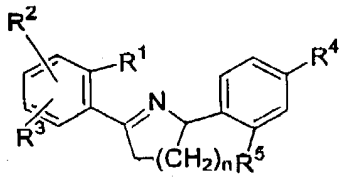
~~W^3 represents fluorine, chlorine, cyano, nitro, methyl, ethyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methylthio, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, dimethylamino, diethylamino, $-COOR^{25}$ or $-CONR^{26}R^{27}$,~~

~~R^{25} represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, $-CH_2CF_3$, represents cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl or $-CF_3$, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

~~R^{26} and R^{27} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, $-CH_2CF_3$, methoxy, ethoxy, allyl, represent cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl or cyclohexylmethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, represent phenyl, benzyl or phenethyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represent $-OR^{22}$ or $-NR^{23}R^{24}$, and~~

~~W⁴ represents fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, methyl, ethyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methylthio, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or trifluoromethylthio.~~

5. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula (I-a)



(I-a),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^5 and n are each as defined in Claim 1,

~~R^4 represents phenyl which is mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, or represents one of the following groupings~~

~~(m-b) -B-O-D~~

~~(l) -Y-E,~~

~~B represents p-phenylene which is optionally monosubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,~~

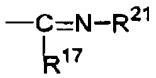
~~Y represents a direct bond or represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by a radical from the list W^4, and~~

~~D and E each have the very particularly preferred meanings mentioned in Claim 4~~

~~where~~

~~G is cyano or one of the groupings below~~

~~(a) $CO-R^{47}$~~

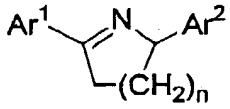
(e) 

~~where~~

~~R^{17} and R^{21} are each as defined in Claim 1 and~~

~~W^4 is as defined in Claim 1.~~

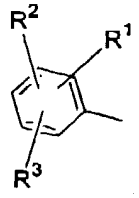
6. (Withdrawn) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I)

 (I),

in which

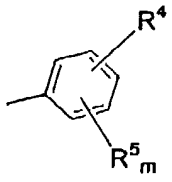
n represents 1, 2 or 3

Ar^1 represents the radical



and

Ar^2 represents the radical



in which

m represents 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4,

R^1 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, $-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$,

R^2 and R^3 independently of one another each represent hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, $-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-NR^7R^8$,

R^4 represents halogen, cyano, trialkylsilyl, $-CO-NR^{10}R^{11}$, tetrahydropyranyl or one of the groupings below

(l) -X-A
(m) -B-Z-D
(n) -Y-E,

R^5 represents hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy or $-S(O)_oR^6$,

o represents 0, 1 or 2,

R^6 represents alkyl or halogenoalkyl,

R^7 and R^8 independently of one another each represent hydrogen or alkyl, or together represent alkylene,

R^{10} and R^{11} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, halogenoalkyl or represent phenyl or phenylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,

X represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkinylene, alkyleneoxy, oxyalkylene, thioalkylene, alkylenedioxy or di-alkylsilylene,

A represents phenyl, naphthyl or tetrahydronaphthyl, each of which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^1, or represents 5- to 10-membered heterocyclyl having one or more hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur and containing 1 or 2 aromatic rings, which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by radicals from the list W^2,

B represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,

Z represents oxygen or sulphur,

D represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, styryl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostyryl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl, represents respectively optionally halogen- or alkyl-substituted cycloalkenyl or cycloalkenylalkyl, represents respectively optionally nitro-, halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenylalkyl, naphthylalkyl, tetrahydronaphthylalkyl or 5- or 6-membered hetarylalkyl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, represents $-CO-R^{12}$, $-CO-NR^{13}R^{14}$, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G, \text{ or}$$

Z and D together represent optionally, nitro-, halogen-, alkyl, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenoxyalkyl,

Y represents a direct bond, oxygen, sulphur, carbonyl, carbonyloxy, oxycarbonyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkinylene, alkyleneoxy, oxyalkylene, thioalkylene, alkylenedioxy or represents p-phenylene which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list W^1,

E represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkenyl-, phenyl-, styryl-, halogenophenyl- or halogenostyryl-substituted cycloalkyl, represents respectively optionally halogen- or alkyl-substituted cycloalkenyl, represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^1 or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl having 1 or 2 hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally mono- to tetrasubstituted by radicals from the list W^2, or represents the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G,$$

R^{12} represents alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkenyloxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkenyl-substituted cycloalkyl, cycloalkyloxy or cycloalkylalkyloxy or represents respectively optionally nitro-, halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenyl or naphthyl,

R^{13} represents hydrogen or alkyl,

R^{14} represents alkyl, halogenoalkyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkenyl-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkenyl-substituted cycloalkyl,

cycloalkylalkyl or represents respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl-, alkoxy-, halogenoalkyl- or halogenoalkoxy-substituted phenyl or phenylalkyl,

p, q and r independently of one another each represent 0, 1, 2 or 3, their sum being smaller than 6,

R^{15} and R^{16} independently of one another each represent hydrogen or alkyl,

G represents cyano, represents a 5- or 6-membered heterocycle having 1 to 3 identical or different hetero atoms from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, alkyl or halogenoalkyl and, at the attachment point, optionally by the radical R^{17}, or represents one of the groupings below

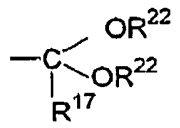
(a) —CO—R^{17}

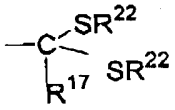
(b) —CO—OR^{18}

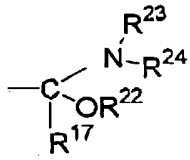
(c) —CO—$NR^{19}R^{20}$

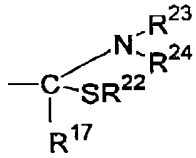
(d) —CS—$NR^{19}R^{20}$

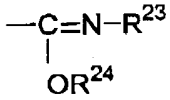
(e) —C(R^{17})=N—R^{21}

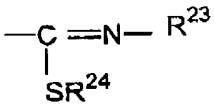
(f) 

(g) 

(h) 

(i) 

(j) 

(k) 

R^{17} represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl, or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by alkylcarbonylamino, alkylcarbonylalkylamino and/or radicals from the list W^3,

R^{18} represents hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted

cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl or represents arylalkyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3,

R^{19} and R^{20} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl, represent aryl or arylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^3, represent $-OR^{18}$ or $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or together represent an alkylene chain having 2 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen,

R^{21} represents $-OR^{18}$, $-NR^{17}R^{18}$ or $-N(R^{17})-COOR^{18}$,

R^{22}, R^{23} and R^{24} independently of one another each represent alkyl,

W^1 represents hydrogen, halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, alkyl, trialkylsilyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, halogenoalkenyloxy, alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio or $-S(O)_oR^6$,

W^2 represents halogen, cyano, formyl, nitro, alkyl, trialkylsilyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, pentafluorothio or $-S(O)_oR^6$ or $-C(R^{17})=N-R^{21}$,

W^3 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, dialkylamino $-S(O)_oR^6$, $-COOR^{25}$ or $-CONR^{26}R^{27}$,

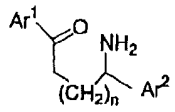
R^{25} represents hydrogen, alkyl, halogenoalkyl, optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or represents phenyl which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4,

R^{26} and R^{27} independently of one another each represent hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkenyl, alkoxy, respectively optionally halogen-, alkyl- or halogenoalkyl-substituted cycloalkyl or cycloalkylalkyl or represent aryl or arylalkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by radicals from the list W^4, represent $-OR^{22}$ or $-NR^{23}R^{24}$ or together represent an alkylene chain having 2 to 6 members in which one methylene group is optionally replaced by oxygen, and

W^4 represents halogen, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, dialkylamino, alkoxycarbonyl, dialkylaminocarbonyl or $-S(O)_oR^6$,

comprising a step selected from the group consisting of a Step A, a Step B, a Step C, a Step D and a Step E, wherein each of said Steps A-E respectively comprises the step of:

A) in said Step A cyclocondensing compounds of the formula (II)



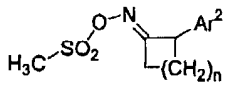
(II)

in which

Ar^1, and Ar^2 are each as defined above and n represents 2 or 3,

or acidic salts thereof, optionally in the presence of an acid binder, or

B) in said Step B reacting compounds of the formula (III)



(III),

in which

Ar^2 is as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3

with aryl Grignard compounds of the formula (IV)

$$Ar^1\text{-Mg-Hal} \quad (IV)$$

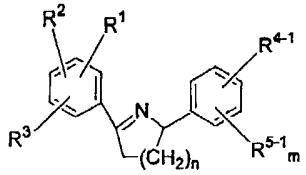
in which

Ar^1 is as defined above and

Hal represents chlorine, bromine or iodine,

in the presence of a diluent, or

C) in said Step C obtaining compounds of the formula (I-b)



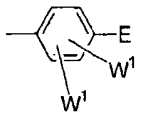
(I-b),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, and m are each as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3,

R^{4-1} represents A or one of the groupings below

(m) -B-Z-D

(n-a) 

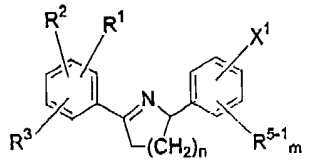
where

A, B, D, E, W^1 and Z are each as defined above and

R^{5-1} represents hydrogen, fluorine, cyano, nitro, alkyl, alkoxy, halogenoalkyl, halogenoalkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy or $-SR^6$ where

R^6 is as defined above

by coupling compounds of the formula (V)



(V),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^{5-1}, and m are each as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3 and

X^1 represents bromine, iodine or $-OSO_2CF_3$

with boronic acids of the formula (VI)

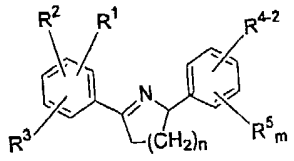
$$R^{4-1}\text{-}B(OH)_2 \quad \text{(VI)}$$

in which

R^{4-1} is as defined above,

in the presence of a catalyst and in the presence of an acid binder and in the presence of a solvent, or

D) in said Step D obtaining compounds of the formula (I-c)



(I-c),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^5 and m are each as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3,

R^{4-2} represents one of the groupings below

(m-b) $-B-Z-D^1$
(n-b) $-Y^1-E^1$

in which

B and Z are as defined above,

Y^1 represents oxygen or sulphur and

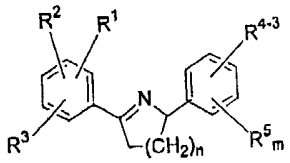
D^1 and E^1 each represent the grouping

$$-(CH_2)_p-(CR^{15}R^{16})_q-(CH_2)_r-G$$

in which

R^{16}, R^{16}, G, p, q and r are each as defined above

by condensing compounds of the formula (I-d)



(I-d),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^5, and m are each as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3 and

R^{4-3} represents one of the groupings below

(m-c) -B-Z-H
(n-c) $-Y^1$-H

in which

B, Y^1 and Z are each as defined above

with compounds of the formula (VII)

$$Ab\text{-}(CH_2)_p\text{-}(CR^{15}R^{16})_q\text{-}(CH_2)_r\text{-}G \quad (VII)$$

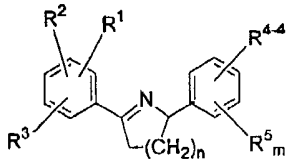
in which

R^{15}, R^{16}, G, p, q and r are each as defined above and

Ab represents a leaving group,

or

E) in said Step E obtaining compounds of the formula (I-e)



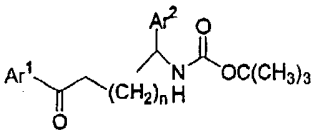
(I-e),

in which

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^5, and m are each as defined above and n represents 1, 2 or 3

R^{4-4} represents a grouping from the description of the compounds of the formula (I) according to the invention containing the radical G where G represents one of the above-mentioned groupings (e) to (k) by customary and known derivatization of the corresponding keto derivatives, carboxylic acid derivatives or nitriles, i.e. compounds of the formula (I) in which G represents cyano or one of the groupings (a) to (d).

7. (Withdrawn) A compound of the formula (VIII)

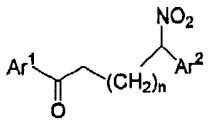


(VIII)

in which

Ar^1 and Ar^2 are each as defined in Claim 1 and n is 1, 2 or 3.

8. (Withdrawn) A compound of the formula (XVIII)



(XVIII)

in which

Ar^1 and Ar^2 are each as defined in Claim 1 and n is 1, 2 or 3.

9. (Previously Amended) A pesticide composition comprising at least one compound of the formula (I) according to Claim 1.

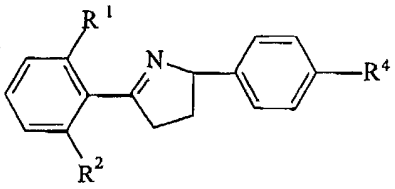
10. (Cancelled).

11. (Withdrawn) A method for controlling pests, comprising the step of allowing an effective amount of a compound of the formula (I) according to Claim 1 to act on a member selected from the group consisting of said pests, a habitat of said pests and combinations thereof.

12. (Withdrawn) A process for preparing a pesticide, comprising the step of mixing a compound of the formula (I) according to Claim 1 with a member selected from the group consisting of an extender, a surface-active agent and combinations thereof.

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Withdrawn) A compound of the formula (I-f)



(I-f)

in which

R^1 represents halogen,

R^2 represents halogen, and

R^4 represents

a) phenyl which is mono- or disubstituted by radicals from the list of W^2 as defined in Claim 1, or

b) heteryl which is mono or disubstituted by radicals from the list of W^2 as defined in Claim 1.

15. (Withdrawn) The compound of Claim 14 wherein

R^1 is chlorine or fluorine, and

R^2 is fluorine or chlorine.

16. (Withdrawn) The compound of Claim 14 wherein

R^1 is fluorine, and

R^2 is fluorine.

17. (Withdrawn) The compound of any of Claims 14 through 16 wherein said hetaryl is selected from the group consisting of furyl, thienyl, pyrrolyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiazolyl or pyridyl.

18. (Withdrawn) The compound of any of Claims 14 through 17 wherein said hetaryl is thienyl.